Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. It is getting more & more difficult as an American to be exposed to both sides of an issue. The FCC is not linked to a political consitituency & should be addressing this vigorously. As an average American I should be able to "choose to watch right or left wing propoganda". I urge you to turn back to the days of Walter Cronkite when media was responsible for the facts NOT Fiction or political agendas.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you. Sincerely, Jane M. Messerly